

San Diego County 2011 Redistricting Process

Redistricting Advisory Committee February 23, 2011



What Is Redistricting?

- Federal census conducted every ten years
- Census data includes an official population count
- Data released by April 1
- Following the census, the Board of Supervisors is required to adjust the boundaries of the five Supervisorial districts, if needed, to equalize population
- Process governed by the U.S. Constitution, State and federal law and the San Diego County Charter



Impact of County Redistricting

- Any adjustments determine the Supervisorial district in which a resident lives and votes in 2012 through 2021
- All County residents have a stake
- Scope limited to Board of Supervisors districts



Redistricting 2011

- Process launched on December 7, 2010 (17) by the Board of Supervisors
- Board of Supervisors established Redistricting Advisory Committee and set criteria and a timeline on January 25, 2011 (12)
- Redistricting Advisory Committee members appointed on February 9, 2011 (9)
- Completion targeted for August 2011

Redistricting Advisory Committee



- Advisory Committee to the Board of Supervisors
- Five members, all registered voters in the County
- Duties include:
 - Review and analyze census and demographic data, proposed redistricting plans and public input
 - Hold at least one public hearing in each district, and at least one public hearing before submission of proposed redistricting plan(s) to the Board
 - By June 28, 2011, submit to the Board no more than three proposed redistricting plans

Redistricting Criteria



- Legal framework that governs the redistricting process
 - Districts "as nearly equal in total population as possible"
 - At least two districts "as substantially outside the City of San Diego as the population will permit"
 - May give consideration to (a) topography; (b) geography; (c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity and compactness of territory; and (d) community of interests of the districts
 - Shall comply with the federal Voting Rights Act
 - Board intends to adopt by August 2011
 - Individual cities will not be divided to the extent possible (City of San Diego excepted)
 - Dividing census tracts will be avoided where possible





- Sets dates for public meetings of the Redistricting Advisory Committee and Board of Supervisors
- Regular Committee meetings at the County Administration Center and in each district
- Key dates:
 - District meetings of the Committee planned for late April and early May
 - **June 28, 2011** Board of Supervisors public hearing on Committee recommendations
 - **July 12, 2011** Board of Supervisors considers ordinance to adjust district boundaries
 - August 2, 2011 Board of Supervisors adopts ordinance





- The public can address the Committee and Board at any of their public meetings
- The public can submit written comments and proposed plans to the Committee
 - Deadline for public submittal of proposed plans is
 May 9, 2011
 - All submitted plans must adhere to established guidelines and criteria
 - More detail about how to submit a proposed plan will be made available



Public Participation

- Public participation is strongly encouraged via
 - Participation in public meetings
 - E-mail to: redistricting2011@sdcounty.ca.gov
 - U.S. mail to:

County of San Diego

Attn: Redistricting 2011

1600 Pacific Highway, Room 201

San Diego, CA 92101

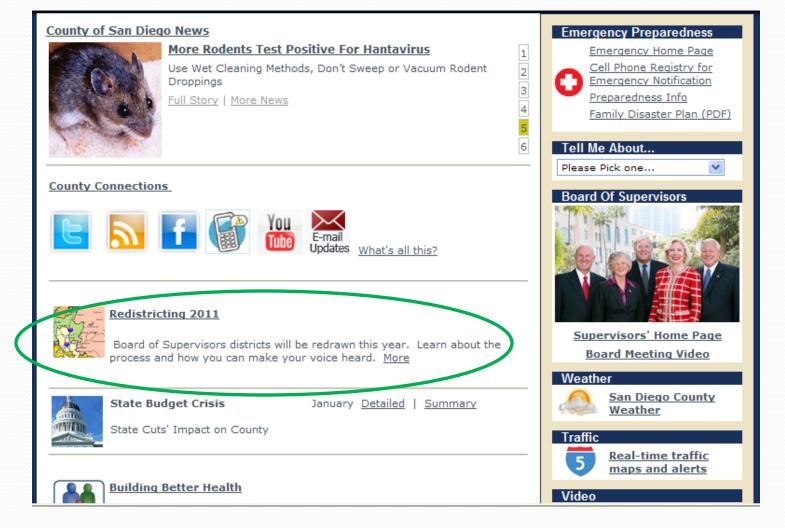


Public Outreach

- Outreach e-mail/letter
- Media (including Twitter, Facebook)
- RAC CAC meetings streamed live on CTN
- ➤ Web pages: http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/redistricting
- Email: redistricting2011@sdcounty.ca.gov



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RAC Meetings





Resources





Next Steps

- Upcoming Redistricting Advisory Committee meetings will address:
 - Legal foundations
 - Census and other demographic data



Questions?



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